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SUBJ: VISIT OF EMIGRATION SECRETARY LIMA TO US

1. AMBASSADOR AND OTHER EMBOFFS HAVE MET WITH LIMA AND OTHER MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY SINCE THEIR RETURN FROM U.S. LIMA REPORTS THAT HE HAS HOPES OF INCREASING YEARLY RATE OF PORTUGUESE IMMIGRATION BY 8,000 TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF FULL 20,000 LIMITATION. IN FACT, HE IS FAR MORE HOPEFUL AFTER HIS VISIT THAN EMBASSY HAD BEEN LED TO EXPECT IN LIGHT OF PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE. LIMA SEEMS TO FEEL THAT CHAIRMAN PETER RODINO AND ADMINISTRATOR BARBARA WATSON HAVE PROMISED SOME SORT OF "RELAXATION" OF REGULATIONS TO MAKE INCREASED IMMIGRATION POSSIBLE.

2. EMBASSY CERTAINLY ENDORSES ANY SUCH ASSISTANCE. IT WOULD EASE STRAIN OF UNEMPLOYMENT ON PORTUGUESE ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND WOULD GIVE EVIDENCE OF US SUPPORT IN A MATTER OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO GOP.

3. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT GOP IS TALKING ABOUT INCREASING IMMIGRATION BY TWO-THIRDS. IN THE EVENT OF ANY SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE, ALL THREE VISA ISSUING POSTS IN PORTUGAL WOULD HAVE TO HAVE TIME AND RESOURCES TO GET READY. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF THERE IS NOT
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GOING TO BE ANY SUCH ASSISTANCE, WE HAD BETTER BE PREPARED TO LET THE PORTUGUESE DOWN GENTLY.

4. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS ON CONTENTS OF TALKS WITH LIMA. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HEAR THE DEPARTMENT'S PROGNOSIS CONCERNING PROBABILITY OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS ON PART OF USG OR VOLAGS TO ASSIST IN INCREASING PORTUGUESE

IMMIGRATION.

5. FOR BARBARA WATSON FROM AMBASSADOR: LIMA'S CHIEF OF CABINET
RENEWED HIS INVITATION FOR YOU TO VISIT PORTUGAL. HE SUGGESTED
YOU MIGHT STOP BY ON WAY BACK FROM UPCOMING CONSULAR CONFERENCES.
WE IN THE EMBASSY WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO HAVE YOU.
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